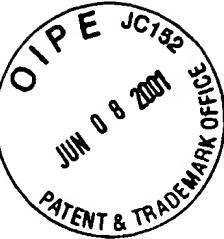


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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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[xx]5 A list of documents on form PTO-1449 together with copies of each identified document and a translation  
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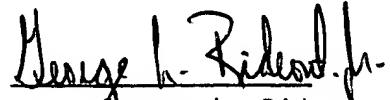
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